

# THE BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT.

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## THE WORLD AT LARGE.

### Summary of the Daily News.

#### WASHINGTON NOTES.

"The San Francisco" will probably be the name of the new cruiser ordered by the Government.

RATIFICATIONS of an additional postal convention between Portugal and the United States have been exchanged in Washington.

The Acting Secretary of the Treasury has accepted an offer from the surviving sureties of Alexander H. Adams, deceased, pension agent at Lexington, Ky., in 1871, to pay \$3,000 and costs in compromise of the Government's claim against them for \$10,000.

SECRETARY BAYARD and four acting secretaries attended the Cabinet meeting on the 30th.

PROF. G. BROWN GODDARD, assistant director of the National Museum, has been appointed Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries.

RE ADMIRAL JOHN J. DAVIS has been placed on the retired list.

ALTHOUGH the President's order in regard to indemnity lands has been in operation less than half a month it has given rise to the utmost activity in land matters all over the country, and the Interior department bids fair to be swamped with letters of inquiry from attorneys for railroads, land lawyers and would-be settlers.

The President has appointed S. S. Carlisle, of Louisiana, to be Minister Resident and Consul General to Bolivia, and James C. Quigley, of Pennsylvania, to be Consul of the United States at Port Stanley and St. Thomas, Ont.

GENERAL SHERIDAN has been ordered by the President to take charge of the troops at the constitution's centennial celebration in Philadelphia, September 15, 16 and 17.

ACTING LAND COMMISSIONER STOCKS-LAGER has issued the necessary instructions to carry into effect Secretary Lamar's recent order restoring to settlement and entry certain indemnity lands of the Marquette, Houghton & Ontonagon Railroad Company, Michigan, comprising about 255,000 acres of unapproved selections.

The coinage of the mints in August aggregated \$25,000,000, valued at \$3,393,380. Of these \$27,000 were silver and \$2,673,000 gold.

The public debt statement for August showed a decrease during the month of \$4,809,475.

#### THE EAST.

Two Pinkerton detectives were recently searching for two men who stole a package containing \$5,000 from an express car near Boston.

Mrs. BELLE FREELY, an insane inmate of the county jail at Clarion, Pa., was cremated in her cell the other day, the result of a fire she had kindled with paper torn from the walls. The flames communicated to her clothing, and before assistance arrived her flesh was burned to a crisp.

The assignment of Robert Hare Powell & Co. and Robert Hare Powell, Sons & Co., the great coal mining firms of No. 419 Walnut street, Philadelphia, had considerable effect on the financial situation in that city on the 30th.

A PARTY of Holland naval officers attached to a vessel now at New York paid their respects to the President the other day.

The tenth annual meeting of the American Microscopical Society began in Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 30th.

A BOILER explosion in the shop of Kane & Ryan at Bradford, Pa., recently killed James Kane, one of the proprietors.

FRANK C. McNEILLY recently stole nearly \$800,000 in bonds, cash, etc., of the Saco and Biddeford (Me.) Savings Institution. He was a trustee of the bank, and the consequence was able to help himself when the bank officers were absent. Most of the property was non-negotiable. His whereabouts are unknown.

SEVERAL cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis in horses have appeared in New York City.

C. A. CAMPBELL, an extensive coal dealer at Chelsea, Mass., has suspended payment. The liabilities will reach \$350,000, with assets of \$250,000. The failure was caused by the collapse in Philadelphia.

G. W. WILLIAMS, the extensive lumber dealer and boot buyer, of Kitchener, Pa., who recently made an assignment, went to Canada. His liabilities were \$100,000.

Tax Pennsylvania Democrats met in convention at Allentown on the 31st. The platform was adopted without the threatened split taking place. Jesse Thompson was nominated for the Supreme Court and Bernard J. McGrath, State Treasurer.

Two workmen were killed and two badly injured by the fall of scaffolding at the new Annunciation Church building, Williamsport, Pa., recently.

PROF. JOHN AVERY, late Professor of Greek in Bowdoin College, died suddenly on the 1st, at North Bridgeton, Me. Prof. Avery had been connected with Bowdoin College many years and was widely known among the alumni of the college. He was a recognized authority in ancient languages, being master of fifteen.

The New York Tribune says that the cruiser Boston made a satisfactory trip on the 1st. In a run of six hours she made fourteen and a half knots, and her engines showed an indicated horse power of 4,264, whereas she was only supposed to show 3,500.

THREE boys, ranging from nine to fourteen years of age, were drowned recently near Portsmouth, N. H. The oldest boy was the son of the late Leader P. Johnson, United States navy. The other two boys were named Mackey, and lived in Boston.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission on the 1st took testimony in Rutland, Vt., in regard to alleged discriminations by the National Dispatch Line and the Vermont Central road.

The crews of the Philadelphia & Reading shifting engines at Bridgeport, N. J., struck recently against engineers from Pottsville, holding that local men should have been promoted.

The Canadian steamer Hastings has been seized by the customs collector at Niagara Falls, N. Y., for carrying passengers between American ports without obeying the law.

Coffers went up twenty points at New York on the 1st.

The statistics of immigration at Castle Garden for the month of August show that 27,265 immigrants were landed, as against 25,265 in August, 1886. This is an increase of 1,999 for the month. The total immigration this year to date is 267,764, being an increase of 6,987 over the same period of last year.

OLINTO SPANNOGLIA, shipping and commission merchant of New York City, has made an assignment. His assets were estimated at \$100,000.

FRANK McNEILLY, who robbed the Saco and Biddeford (Me.) Savings Bank of a large amount, is considered by his friends to be insane.

# THE WEST.

CALIFORNIA newspapers and politicians extended a chilly reception to the Pacific Investigating Commission on its trip to that State recently.

This collapse of the San Francisco wheat corner on the 27th carried down Dresbach & Rosenfeld, the bull operators.

THREE Fin laborers were drowned near Duluth, Minn., the other day by the capsizing of their sail boat.

The assets of S. N. Matson, the bankrupt Chicago jeweler, are placed at \$250,371 and the liabilities at \$178,000.

THOMAS G. KNOTT, of New Albany, Ind., has been arrested for offering to sell supplies of ten dollar counterfeits at a big discount.

A HEAVY flow of natural gas has been struck on the Indiana side of the Ohio river, twenty-five miles from Louisville, Ky. If it keeps up it will be piped to that city.

A FREIGHT train on the Cleveland & Marietta railroad ran through a burning trestle at Westfield, Ohio, on the 29th. The fireman was badly hurt.

DURING the progress of a fire in Flint, Mich., the other morning, five prisoners, all tramps, dug their way out of jail and escaped.

WILLIAM ST. CLAIR ROSS, doing business as W. St. Clair Ross & Co., at Elm and Third streets, Cincinnati, has assigned to H. S. Lloyd. The firm has been doing a large business as paper manufacturers and wholesale dealers in envelopes, cards, etc. The failure was precipitated by Eastern factors.

The Anchor Manufacturing Company's works, near Detroit, Mich., were destroyed by fire recently. The losses were heavy and 250 men were thrown out of employment.

AUTHENTIC accounts of the battle between the whites and hostile Utes near Meeker, Col., on the 25th, show five whites killed, including Lieutenant Folsom, and four wounded. The Indians lost nine killed, including two squaws, and five wounded.

On the 29th it was estimated that Colorado had about 600 graves under its control. While hands were thrashing on the farm of Lynch Curtis, near Flint, Mich., recently the grain stacker caught fire and while the men were fighting the fire the steam boiler exploded, killing Daniel Steeger outright and severely injuring William Rockwood, John Bennett and three young men, who were assisting.

The Wisconsin Central engineers threaten to strike against H. S. Barnes, superintendent of machinery in the shops at Waukesha for some hidden reason.

Mrs. SHIELDS, who was to have been hanged at Tallahassee, Fla., for killing her illegitimate grandchild, has been respited to November 1.

B. F. HUTCHINSON, one of the most prominent members of the Chicago Board of Trade, was suspended by the Board of Directors recently for ninety days. The cause of the suspension was "ostensibly" "put and call" trading. It was, however, intimated that the real cause was personal business against Hutchinson because of his attempt to wreck the wheat crowd recently, when the Kershaw corner burst.

The extensive works of the St. Louis Car Wheel Company were destroyed by fire the other night. The loss was estimated at about \$100,000, fully insured.

At Meadville, Ark., recently in a quarrel over the ownership of a mine, Albert Mead killed three men and was himself killed by Fred Mead, a kinsman. The coroner's jury acquitted Fred Mead.

PROF. FORBES reports chinch bugs general in Illinois.

The first litigation growing out of the Chautauque horror started on the 31st at Peoria, Ill., in the shape of nineteen damage suits, aggregating \$127,500, which were begun in the circuit court. Ten are \$5,000 each, all death cases. The others are for injuries, and demand various sums, reaching in one instance \$20,000.

The saw mills of Kimball & Clark, about six miles west of Hurley, Wis., were totally destroyed by fire the other morning. Loss, \$100,000. No insurance.

Two engines met in collision on the St. Paul & Duluth road at St. Paul, Minn., the other day, both engines being terribly injured and the engines wrecked.

GEORGE S. HALL, a farmer, was burned to death recently by the burning of J. H. Colles barn at Detroit, Mich.

CONGRESSMAN O'NEILL, of St. Louis, Mo., witnessed the evictions at Herbertstown, Ireland, recently.

An aeronaut named Blakesley fell from a trapeze bar at Princeton, Mo., on the 31st when his balloon was at a height of 400 feet and he was horribly mashed to death.

CONTRACTORS are busy in Nevada at stock companies, principally along the right of the settlers of portions of that State. An investigation has been ordered.

COLORADO and his band returned to their reservation at Ouray, Col., on the 27th, thus closing the war.

WENDELL NICHOLS A. MILES was thrown from a trolley by a horse in Los Angeles, Cal., on the 31st and had his right leg broken at the ankle. Several others sustained slight injuries.

GRAVEYARD insurance companies are causing trouble in Indiana. They have been directed to Michigan.

ISRAEL LUCAS, the county treasurer of Wapakoneta, O., has disappeared. His delinquencies were put at \$30,000.

Mrs. MCGARIGLE, wife of the escaped boodler, has disappeared from Chicago.

IOWA Democrats met at Des Moines on the 31st. Governor J. M. Elliott was nominated for Governor; J. M. Elliott, Lieutenant-Governor; Supreme Judge, Charles S. FERG; Superintendent of Public Instruction, N. H. W. Sayer.

JOSEPH TERRILL, for the murder of Charles Phelps in Meigs County, was hanged in the jail at Columbus, O., at midnight on the 1st.

The *Rocky Age*, of Chicago, says: "It now seems probable that the number of miles of new road constructed in the United States during 1887 will be about 12,000. This figure is the greatest on record. Kansas still continues far in the lead over the other States in the work of railway construction."

GENERAL SIMON BOLIVAR BUCKNER was inaugurated as Governor of Kentucky on the 30th.

# GENERAL.

The International Astronomical Congress opened at Karlsruhe, Germany, on the 29th.

Four conspirators against the Spanish Government have been arrested at Ponca, Porto Rico.

REPORTS from Austria and Hungary show that the wheat, rye and barley crops are far above the average. In Hungary the yield of wheat is 9,500,000 bushels, as against 25,000,000 hectolitres above the average.

An earthquake was felt in the City of Mexico on the morning of the 28th. No great damage was done.

Two convicts escaped recently from the penitentiary at Kingston, Ont.

Numerous tenant farmers in the county of Limerick, Ireland, have decided to apply for a revision of rents under the new law.

The steamer Richmond Hill brought a valuable dismantled schooner into Halifax, N. S., the other morning. The crew were saved.

PROF. CHEVREUL, the French chemist, was 84 years old on the 29th.

He was in perfect health and attended a meeting of the Agricultural Society, and made a speech thanking the colleagues for a banquet which they had presented him.

The London Standard's correspondent at Shanghai says: "There is strenuous opposition to the new bank of the Republic. The college of censors has presented a memorial to the throne against the scheme. Li Hung Chang is almost alone in supporting it. The project even if sanctioned will probably be modified."

The towns of Boppard, on the Rhine, was partially destroyed by fire the other day and a large number of persons were left without homes.

The Baltimore & Ohio Express Company's business has been sold to the United States Express Company. Jay Gould is said to be the real purchaser, and reports state that Gould has also sold the Baltimore & Ohio railroad and telegraph, or placed the property in the hands of the Drexel, Morgan & Co. syndicate, being hard up for money.

PRINCE NAPOLEON and Prince Victor have written to ex-Empress Eugenie asking to be excused from attending the transfer of the remains of Napoleon III. and the Prince Imperial from Chislehurst to Farnborough on the ground that it would be impolitic for the father and son to meet each other.

It is announced that T. V. Powderly, general master workman of the Knights of Labor, will go to Ireland in October to take an active part in the national movement.

The rents on the Lurgan estate at Hazelballin, Ireland, has been reduced more than fifty per cent by the Irish Land Court.

SEVEN new cases of cholera and four deaths were reported in the island of Malta on the 31st.

FRANZ, the murderer of Mme. Regnault, her maid and a child, was executed at Paris on the 31st. He struggled desperately with his executioners before being guillotined. A howling and disorderly mob was present.

JUDGE ZUBIA assaulted Consul Brigham at Paso del Norte, Mexico, on the 30th by striking him with a cane. Zubia claimed to have been insulted.

The Bank of England has advanced its rate of discount from three to four per cent.

The Pope has received \$140,000 contributions, to be devoted to paying the expenses of his jubilee mass.

Fire in Cairo, Egypt, the other day destroyed a block in the center of the town, causing a heavy loss.

FRANZ DISMARCK has instructed the provincial government of Germany to promote the interests of trade guilds.

The propeller Jay Gould, bound for Chicago, ran aground on the west end of Bois Blanc island the other morning in a dense fog.

SEVERAL Russians were killed at Kashgar recently during a riot occasioned, it was said, by insults offered to Mohammedan women. The Russian mission has returned to Khokand.

The vapor stove makers are contemplating a move to form a trust company.

MAIL advices indicate that the troubles in Havana were not so serious as reported by telegraph.

The Papal Envoy at Tipperary recently said the Pope loved Ireland and would do all in his power to aid in the prosperity of the country.

AN epidemic of black diphtheria was reported raging at Lockport, Pa., a small town of 24 inhabitants. Nearly half of the population were down with the disease and thirteen deaths have occurred.

The Richmond Paper Company of Providence, R. I., has failed. Liabilities over \$60,000; assets heavy. The mills cost \$1,000,000.

The magnificent abbey and college of St. Michael, located at Indiantown, Spencer County, Ind., was destroyed by fire on the 2d, including a valuable library of 15,000 volumes, a large collection of old and very rare coins and medals, and the total loss was fully \$250,000; no insurance.

ROBERT GARRETT, was announced at New York on the 2d, had disposed of his interest in the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to a syndicate of English and American capitalists. The details were carried through by Drexel, Morgan & Co.

BISHOP HARRIS, the New York Resident Bishop of the Methodist Church, died on the 2d from heart trouble. He was born in Mansfield, O., November 19, 1810.

An American schooner fishing inside the Canadian limits has been captured near Campbell's, N. B.

# KANSAS STATE NEWS.

The Kansas Grand Army official badge is out. It was designed by Major Shockey, of the Soldiers' Home, at Leavenworth. The design is a grasshopper and sunflower joined with a ribbon, on which is emblazoned in gold letters the word "Kansas."

GOVERNOR MARTIN has revoked his quarantine proclamation against Illinois cattle, except in so far as it applies to Cook County. Cattle shipped from Cook County will be held in quarantine at Kansas City ninety days.

ACCORDING to the report recently filed with the Governor by the census taker of Grant County, the total number of inhabitants of the new county is 2,716, and the number of house-holders 523. The total amount of personal property is \$218,586, while the real estate valuation is \$316,170, making a total of \$534,756 worth of property. The total number of votes cast in the county seat contest was 920, of which 485 were for temporary county seat, re-elected 533 and Cincinnati 385, a majority of 154 for Ulysses.

SUPERINTENDENT WILDER, of the Insurance Department, has revoked the authority of the Salina Mutual Fire Insurance Company to do business in the State.

The post-offices at Newbern, Dickinson County, and Wild Horse, Graham County, have been discontinued.

The barn at the police headquarters in Topeka was burned the other morning by an incendiary fire. In the ruins were found the charred remains of Colonel G. C. Graves, a German attorney of the city. The city lost four head of fine horses and a patrol wagon. The loss was about \$2,000; no insurance.

Graves was the colonel of a Wisconsin regiment during the war, and Brigadier-General of the Kansas National Guards under Glick's administration.

The Atlantic express on the Santa Fe collided with a construction train near Halliday, about fourteen miles west of Kansas City, at 3:55 o'clock the other afternoon. Both engines were badly damaged and one of the laborers on the construction train received injuries that may prove fatal.

PENSIONERS lately granted Kansas veterans: Vinton Russell, Strong; Daniel McConnell, National Military Home; Jacob De Rosa, Coffeyville; John H. Morgan, Burden; Moses T. McGraw, National Military Home; Joseph Cheney, Pittsburg; Thomas A. Metcalf, Wellington; Stephen A. Hunter, Chaney; Charles E. Beyer, National Military Home; William H. Ritchie, Concordia; Patrick Lyden, Lincoln Center; Jasper M. Boston, Russell; John Wilson, Paola; John Durham, Greenleaf; John E. Evans, Veteran; Tolman Hooker, Wichita; Andrew Treasler, Americus; George W. Leonard, Russell; Ambrose E. Ward, Keosauqua; Dominick Gaffney, Atchison; Dependents: Helena H., widow of Joel Johnson, Wyandotte; minor of George W. Simmons, Garnett; Increase; Perrick D. Loomis, Marquette; Jasper Evans, Hartland; Marion L. Medlar, Galena; Thomas B. Smith, Iuka.

Another night about twelve o'clock the house owned and occupied by Calvin Pratt at Augusta, was destroyed by fire. Pratt's wife said he came home intoxicated and began quarreling with her and children, and finally threw a lighted lamp into the bed at the children, setting fire to the bed.

Later Pratt was found in a chicken coop with three ghastly cuts in his throat and was lying in a critical condition. He had done the work with an old scythe.

In answer to a circular recently sent out by Labor Commissioner Betton, sixty-nine counties of the State sent in answers to the queries as to the cost of maintaining paupers. From this is gathered the fact that the total cost of maintaining the poor farms in Kansas for the past year was \$88,019.55. Total relief furnished outside of the poor farm, \$115,210.53; making a grand total of \$203,230.08 as the cost of the poor in the sixty-nine counties. The minimum number of paupers in the same counties was given at 98, or a fraction over one pauper for every 1,000 inhabitants.

New post-offices recently established in Kansas: Eigin, Chautauque County; Thomas Leahy, postmaster; Clugh, Cheyenne County; James M. Clugh, postmaster, and Westola, Morton County; James K. Estis, postmaster.

JOHN H. MEHLAM, of Kansas, has been appointed to a \$1,200 clerkship in the War Department.

A RECENT fire at Weir City destroyed a whole block, which consisted of the bank, opera house, a store and other business houses, almost all belonging to James Denim. The loss was about \$20,000; fully covered by insurance.

DR. A. G. ABDELAL, a member of the Board of Pension Examiners at Leavenworth, was recently arrested by a Deputy United States Marshal upon the charge of having demanded and extorted large sums of money from various claimants for pensions, who were ordered before the board for examination by the Pension Bureau. Two Commissioners of Pensions also issued orders to arrest Dr. Abdelal. He waived an examination and gave bonds for his appearance at the October term of court.

The rear and half of the north walls of the Daisy Crow or Opera House at Wichita fell the other morning and in the evening the south wall fell. Loss \$20,000. The brick work was almost completed. Bell brick and worse mortar were assigned as the cause. Preparations had been made for opening the house October 10. This is impossible, and it is even thought the building must be entirely torn down and erected anew. If such is the case the loss will be \$100,000.

C. F. WICKES, a prominent real estate agent of Topeka, was shot by W. W. Kitchell, of the hardware firm of Kitchell & Marburg, of that city, the other day, and died a few hours afterward, the ball entering the left eye at the inner corner and lodging in the brain. The shooting was purely accidental. Wickes had purchased a revolver at the hardware store and stopped in to trade it for another of different action. Kitchell showed him several which he took from the show case and while handling one of them, which he had not the remotest idea was loaded, the trigger was accidentally discharged.

Letters rap to the State Board of Agriculture are to the effect that although Kansas has had dry weather, which in many parts of the State has been quite severe, in a great many places there have been local rains that have kept vegetation green, and the indications now are that with the annual snow, the increased Kansas will raise as much corn in 1887 as she did in 1886.

BURGOLARS still trouble Topeka.

SEVERAL Topeka ladies have inaugurated a plan to train poor and orphan children, and to teach them house-keeping, sewing and other necessary instruction. They have opened a school for that purpose, and children will be taken free of charge and given instruction in the useful arts.

The twelve-year-old son of J. M. Grove was killed at Larned the other day by a runaway horse. The boy started for the pasture riding one horse and leading another. The led horse became frightened and ran away, and the rope becoming tangled about the boy's arm, he was dragged or a long distance, receiving injuries from the effects of which he died.

A TERRIBLE hail storm recently visited Atchison, destroying about \$5,000 worth of window glass.

# KALAKAUA'S PALACE.

The Gorgeous Structure Erected by the Profligate Hawaiian Monarch.

The foundation stone of Iolani Palace was laid with full Masonic ceremonies (Kalakaua being a prominent Mason) on Queen Kapiolani's birthday, the last day in the year 1879. It stands on an immense block, close to the heart of the city, bounded by King, Richard and Likelike streets and Palace Walk. The palace itself covers an area of 140x120 feet, being thus nearly square. It consists of two stories and a basement. It has a large central tower and a smaller tower on each of the four corners. From the base to the top of the central tower it is 84 feet high. The original estimated cost was \$50,000, but by 1880 \$45,000 had been expended and a further appropriation of \$80,000 was asked to complete it. Then its completion was promised for 1881, but at its opening in 1883 the whole affair was found to have cost \$340,000. It is built of brick (cemented) from designs by Baker, remodeled by C. J. Wall, and the exterior is elaborately ornamented, while the interior is—well, an artistic surprise. In all there are forty rooms, and considering that all but those in the basement are seldom used, it will puzzle the reader to imagine what could be arranged in so many apartments. But the Hawaiian Kamehamehas were powerful and had many visitors, besides which Kalakaua himself has been almost round the globe, and the foundation of decorative orders brings about the promulgation of still more decorative gifts, so that Iolani Palace is literally loaded with curiosities, both novel and ornamental. The front or state entrance to the palace, which entrance is only used on very special occasions, is on King street, nearly opposite the Government buildings. Entering the palace this way, then, the visitor comes first of all to a very broad hall leading from this entrance, each side of the staircase, and then right through to the back or palace walk end of the building. The first room to the right of this hall is the throne room, and here is enough conglomeration of the barbaric and the modern to mystify the beholder. All round the walls are well executed portraits of the former Kings of Hawaii, and at the extreme end a portrait which both the King and Queen have often silently gazed upon. It is an oil painting of Kaahumanu, a wife of Kamehameha the Great, who after his death, became Prime Minister and was virtually monarch during the short reign of Kamehameha II. Perhaps Kapiolani objects to her name ("Captivity of Heaven") as she looks on this savage dame's determined features and longs to emulate her. But her spouse knows that those despotic times have long since gone by. Here, also, are the marvelous royal feather robes, the gorgeousness of which no one can imagine. The robe used by Kalakaua, and exhibited in this throne room, is the identical *mamo* (mantle) worn by the great first Kamehameha. It is eleven feet in width and five feet in length, and made entirely of golden feathers from the Oo, or royal bird. Only two feathers are found (one under each wing) on each bird. As it takes a thousand feathers to make an ordinary necklace, what a vast quantity must this robe contain! And this is not only the collection of a lifetime, but the combination of the hoards of eight or ten successive chiefs. At the opening of Parliament this robe is spread upon the throne as symbolic of royalty, but at other times it is always kept over in the palace, and it is said that Kalakaua was once discovered alone in the throne room with this robe around him gesticulating and voicing forth vowels to his ancestors like a child with a new toy. Kalakaua is now fifty-one years of age and has been drawing \$25,000 a year since he started, besides extra money being paid his Queen, his and her staffs and their household expenses. Although the King has an interest in three saloons and has some good property in land, and certainly often helps some of his poor subjects, yet the mass of this wealth goes for the Poi feasts and Hula dances, in which his predecessors also revelled. Even when the white people are now invited, the old name of Luau (native feast) is used, and the gyrations of the finger round the calabash of stick-taro form the principal event. Hula dances are even given in the palace grounds, but under great restrictions, and shorn, in the presence of Europeans, of their dominant features. See Kalakaua on a state occasion, and, fairly corpulent as he is, he seems hardly to have room to hold his medals and decorations—all one blaze of useless glitter. But creep down to the Union saloon early some evening. There you will see his Majesty King Kalakaua of the Hawaiian Islands sitting before a toddy, dressed in an old blue serge suit, with a cheap straw hat on the back of his head, and looking, ah! far happier, after all. —Boston Transcript.

A little girl, who had been carefully trained by her mother, was being dressed for church Sunday. The gay gown had been put on and the little one surveyed herself with evident satisfaction. "Mamma," she said, "does God see every thing?" "Certainly, dear," said the mother. "Does he see me now?" "Why, yes," replied the astonished matron. "Well, then, He sees a pretty neat looking little girl, doesn't He, mamma?" —Exchange.

—Ned's father took him in bathing this week for the first time. Ned is four years old. Next day somebody asked him how he liked it. "Well," he said, "I liked it first rate, but I wish God would turn on the hot water faucet first." —Somerville Journal.

# THE KISS IN HISTORY.

Curious Customs Obtaining in Many Portions of the Globe.

There was an old belief that unless a maiden was kissed under the mistletoe at Christmas she would not be married during the ensuing year.

When Fox was contesting the hard-won seat at Westminster the beautiful Duchess of Devonshire offered to kiss all who voted for the great statesman.

In the ceremonial of betrothal a kiss has played an important part in several nations. A nuptial kiss in church, at the conclusion of the marriage service, is solemnly enjoined by the York Missal and the Sarum Manual.

The beautiful Lady Gordon, when the ranks of the Scottish regiments had been sadly thinned by cruel Badajos and Salamanca, turned recruiting sergeant, and, to tempt the gallant lads, placed the recruiting shilling in her lips, whence each who would might take it with his own.